

MINUTES  
**SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT & TAXATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 02, 2021

**TIME:** 3:00 P.M.

**PLACE:** Room WW53

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Rice, Vice Chairman Grow, Senators Vick, Souza, Bayer, Ricks, Nye, and Rabe

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** Senator Lakey

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**CONVENED:** **Chairman Rice** called the meeting of the Local Government and Taxation Committee (Committee) to order at 3:01 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** **Senator Vick** moved to approve the Minutes of January 28, 2021. **Senator Bayer** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**S 1044** **Chairman Rice** stated there would be a slight delay in hearing **S 1044**.

**RS 28392** **Relating to Taxing District Budgets; to Revise Provisions Regarding the Limitation on Taxing District Budget Requests.** **Chairman Rice** explained that **RS 28392** was the same as previously presented legislation with minor technical corrections.

**MOTION:** **Senator Vick** moved to send **RS 28392** to print. **Vice Chairman Grow** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**, with **Senator Nye** and **Senator Rabe** requesting they be recorded as voting nay.

**S 1044** **Relating to Urban Renewal, to Provide a Certain Limitation on the Use of Eminent Domain.** **Senator Souza** presented **S 1044**, explaining that its intent was to limit the power to urban renewal boards whose members are not elected. In the case of appointed members, an urban renewal board may act as advisory only on eminent domain decisions. **Senator Souza** explained that the legislation had passed easily the previous year, but due to COVID-19, the legislature had been unable to complete the process. The only change to the previous year's legislation was an addition that upon dissolution of the urban renewal agency, title to all property of the agency reverts to the municipality. This was requested in order that bonding authority not be affected.

**MOTION:** **Senator Nye** moved to send **S 1044** to the floor with a **do pass** recommendation. **Vice Chairman Grow** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Rice** adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

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Senator Rice  
Chair

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Machele Hamilton  
Secretary